

MILITARY ORDERS

And

ARTICLES

Established by His *Majestie*,

For the better Ordering and Government
of His MAJESTIES Army.



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CHARLES by the grace of God, King of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, &c. Defender of the Faith. To all Officers of Our Army, Colonels, Lieutenant-Colonels, Sergeant-Majors, Captains, and other Our Officers and Souldiers of Horse and Foot. And to all Our loving Subjects and other whom these presents may concern, Greeting.



Now ye, That we, being compelled to Our great grief, to raise an Army for the chastising and suppressing of certain Our Disloyall and Rebellious Subjects, who casting away all fear of God from before their eyes, have of late taken up Arms, and levied War against Us their naturall Liege Lord, Our Crown and Dignity, and by way of open hostility have spoyled Our loving Subjects in sundry places, of their

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 at, by the advice and counsell of Our right
 trusty and Well beloved Cousin and Coun-
 celloz, Robert Earle of Lindsey, &c. Lord
 Lieutenant Generall of Our said Army,
 and Armies, throughout this Our Realm
 of England, to make, ordain, and establish,
 certain Lawes and Ordinances for the bet-
 ter government of Our said Armies. Which
 We hereby command inviolably to be obser-
 ved, under the pain and penalty in them re-
 spectively expressed, of the Tenor following.

First, let no man presume to blasphemie the holy
 Trinitie, God the Father, God the Sonne, and
 God the holy Ghost; Nor the known Articles of
 Christian faith; upon pain to have his tongue boar-
 ed thorow with a red-hot Iron.

2 Unlawfull Oathes and Exrecrations, and scan-
 dalous acts in derogation of Gods honour, shall be
 punished with losse of pay, and other punishments, at
 discretion.

3 In the same manner shall be punished all those
 who abuse and prophane Places, and Utensils, or
 Ornamentals dedicated to Gods worship, or violate
 or wrong his Ministers.

4 All those, who often and wilfully absent them-
 selves from Sermons, and from Morning and Eve-
 ning Prayer, shall be proceeded against at discretion:
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And all Commanders are straightly charged to see Almighty God reverently served, and Sermons and Prayers duly frequented by their severall Companies, upon pain of being taken and judged negligent in their Office.

5 No man shall use any traiterous words against his Majesties Sacred Person, or Royall Authority, upon pain of death.

6 Whosoever shall be convicted to do his Majesties service negligently and carelesly, shall be punished at discretion.

7 Whosoever shall presume to violate his Majesties safeguard, or safe conduct, shall dye without mercy.

8 Whosoever shall use any words, tending to the hurt or dishonour of the Lord Lieutenant Generall, shall be punished with death.

9 No man shall presume to quarrell with his superiour Officer, upon pain of cashiering, and arbitrary punishment, nor in such quarrell to lift up his hand to strike any such, upon pain of death.

10 No man shall resist, draw, lift, or offer to draw, or lift his weapon against an Officer, correcting him for his offence, upon pain of death.

11 No Souldier shall depart from his Captain without licence, though he serve still in the Army, upon pain of death.

12 Every private man and Souldier, upon pain of imprisonment, shall keep silence when the Army is to take lodging, or when it is marching or imbattailing, so as the Officers may be heard, and their commands executed.

13 No persons shall make any unlawfull assembly or be present or assisting thereunto, or in, or by them demand their pay upon pain of death.

14 No man shall resist any Officer in the execution of his office, or break prison, upon pain of death.

15 None shall utter any words tending to sedition, and uproar, or mutiny, upon pain of death.

16 The same punishment shall be inflicted upon them, who after they have heard mutinous speeches acquaint not their Commanders with them.

17 Whosoever shall receive an injury, and shall take his own satisfaction, shall be punished by imprisonment, and as it shall be thought fit by the Marshall Court: But he that is injured, shall be bound, if he do not forgive the injury, to seek reparation by complaint to his Captain or Colonnell, or other superiour Officer, and it shall be given him in any manner.

18 Drunkenness in an Officer shall be punished with losse of place: in a common Souldier with such penalties as the Lord Generall or Court-Marshal shall think fit.

19 No man shall use reproachfull or provoking words, or acts to any, upon pain of imprisonment, and such further punishment as shall be thought fit to be inflicted upon enemies of Discipline and Service.

20 No man shall take or spoile the goods of him that dieth, or is killed in service, upon pain of restoring double the value, and arbitrary punishment.

21 All Souldiers coming to their Colours to watch or to be exercised, shall come fully armed, upon pain of severe correction.

22 None

22 None shall presume to appear with their Arms unfix or undecently kept, upon pain of Arbitrary Correction.

23 If a Trooper shall lose his Horse or Hackney, or a Footman any part of his Arms, by negligence, or lewdnelle, by Dice, or Cards, he or they shall remain in quality of Pioners, and Scavengers, till they be furnished with as good as were lost, at their own charge.

24 No Town or Countrey-man shall presume to buy, or take to pawn an Horse, or Arms, or Cloathes, or Furniture of Tents, or Huts of any Souldier, upon pain of forfeiting the double value thereof, and to be punished; And the Souldier giving them to pawn, shall suffer a severe punishment.

25 If a Trooper shall spoyle his Horse willingly, of purpose to be rid of the Service, he shall lose his Horse, and remain in the Camp for Pioner.

26 If one borrows Arms of another, to passe the Muster withall, the borrower shall be rigorously punished, and the lender shall forfeit his goods.

27 None shall presume to spoile, sell, or carry away any Ammunition delibered unto him, upon pain of death.

28 None on their March thorow the Countreys, under His Majesties Obedience shall waste, spoyle, or extort any Victuals, Money, or Pawn, from any Subject, upon any pretence of want whatsoever: but shall pay for their Meat and Drink the usuall rates, upon pain of death.

29 No Souldier shall presume, in marching or lodging, to cut down any fruit-trees, or to deface
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or spoile any Walks of Trees, or Parks, or Warrens, or Fish-ponds, upon pain of severe punishment.

30 No man shall depart a Mile out of the Armie, or Camp without Licence, upon pain of death.

31 No man shall presume to draw his Sword without Order, after the watch is set, upon pain of death.

32 No man shall give a false Alarm, or discharge a Peece in the night, or make any noyse without lawfull cause, upon pain of death.

33 No man shall draw any Sword in private quarrell, within the Camp, upon pain of death.

34 He that makes known the Watch-word without Order, or gives any other word, but what is given by the Officer, shall dye for it.

35 No man shall do violence to any that bring Victuals to the Camp, upon pain of death.

36 No man shall fail wilfully, to come to the Rendezvous appointed him by the Lord Generall, upon pain of death.

37 No man that carries Arms, and pretends to be a Souldier, shall remain three dayes in the Army, without being enrolled in some Company, upon pain of death.

38 No private Souldier shall out-stay his passe, without a Certificate of the occasion, under the hand of a Magistrate, at the next Muster, upon pain of losing his pay, during all the time of his absence.

39 He that absents himself, when the Signe is given to set the Watch, shall be punished at discretion, either with Bread and water in Prison, or with the Wooden Horse.

40 Whosoever shall expresse his discontent with the Quarter given him in Camp or Garrison, shall be punished as a Mutineer.

41 No Officer, of what quality soever, shall go or lye out all night, without making his superiour Officer acquainted with it.

42 All Officers whose charge it is, shall see the Quarters kept clean, and sweet, upon pain of severe punishment.

43 No man shall fail immediately to repair unto his Colours, except upon evident necessity, when an Alarm is given, upon pain of death.

44 No man shall burn any House, or Barn, or spoile any Corn Hay, or Straw in stacks in the fields, or any Ship, Boat, carriage or any thing that may serve for the provision of the Army, without Order, upon pain of death.

45 All Commanders and Officers, that finde discontented humours, apt to mutinie, or any swerving from direction given, or from the policy of the Army set down, shall straightway acquaint the Lord Generall therewith, or others in authority above themselves, under pain of being taken, and reputed to be men negligent in their place and office.

46 An Officer that shall presume to defraud any Souldier of his pay, or any part thereof, shall lose his place, and be further punished, at the Lord Generals discretion.

47 No Corporall, or other Officer commanding the Watch, shall wittingly suffer a Souldier to go forth to a Duell, or private fight, upon pain of death.

48 Whosoever shall make or send a Challenge, to

his fellow Souldier, or otherwise provoke him to go into the field to fight a Duell, or single Combat, the party so challenged or provoked, may, without all stain of Honour, and in duty ought to refuse the same, and at the next Court-Martiall or Councell of War to be held, shall have due & full reparation made him from the party challenging or provoking, by Order of the said Court, and the Challenger shall be further punished by the Lord Generall, or the said Court, as they shall see occasion.

49 If any shall upbraid a Souldier for refusing a challenge made or sent unto him, and demanding reparation at the Court, if he be an Officer, he shall lose his Office what ever it be, and be further punished at the discretion of the Lord Generall, or the Court; but if a Common Souldier, then with the wooden horse, or at discretion.

50 If any shall make or send a challenge, or otherwise provoke a Captain, or other Officer of the Army to a Duell or single Combat, he shall dye for it without mercy.

51 If any two go into the field, and there draw their Swords and fight, though no death follow on either part, yet if they be Officers, they shall lose their places, and be disabled to bear Office in time to come, unlesse upon humble submission, they or either of them, shall be restored to that capacity by the Lord Generall in open Court, and by the assent of the Major part thereof their present: But if two common Souldiers shall so do, they shall be punished with the wooden horse, or otherwise at the discretion of the Court, and the like to be done unto their
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their and every of their Seconds, who, in all respects, are to be taken for Principalls in these cases.

52 If any man shall refuse or forbear to go upon any Service commanded him by his Superiour, for feare of Danger, or other pretence whatsoever, or shall in time of fight, retire before the retreat sounded, or shall throw away his Arms and flee, he shall dye for the same without mercy.

53 A Captain that is carelesse in the training of his Company, and exercising and governing them as he ought to do, shall be displaced as a man unworthy of that Office.

54 All Captains and Officers, that shall out-stay their passe, shall be punishable at the Lord Generall his discretion.

55 All Officers, of what condition soever, shall have power to part quarrels, and frays, or sudden disorders betwixt the Souldiers, though it be in any other Regiment or Company; and to commit the disorderer to prison for the present, untill such Officers as they belong unto are acquainted with it. And what Souldier soever shall resist, disobey, or draw his Sword against such an Officer, although he be no Officer of his Regiment or Company, shall be punished with death.

56 A Captain or Officer, not residing in the place assigned him for Garrison, without speciall Licence obtained from the Lord Generall, or Governour of the place, shall for one whole weeks absence, lose one whole moneths pay, and for fifteen dayes absence two moneths pay, and upon the third offence in this kind, shall be discharged of his Command, as a man

negligent in his place, and unfit to bear Office in the Army.

57 No Captain shall Cassier any Souldier that is enrolled, without speciall warrant of the Lord Generall.

58 No Captain of a Troop shall present, in the Muster, any but reall Troopers, such as are bound by their oath and pay to follow the Troop, upon pain of death, without mercy. And if any Towns-man or Countrey-man, Victualler, Freebooter, Enterloper, or Souldier whatsoever of any other Troop, or Company, shall present himself or his horse in the Muster to mislead the Muster-master, to defraud His Majestie, and to betray the Service, the same shall be punished with death.

59 No Captain of a Troop or Company shall take into his Troop or Company any Inhabitant of that place where the Troop or Company is in Garrison, upon pain of severe punishment, unless it be done by, and with the privy and consent of the Generall, or Governour of the place.

60 No Provider, Keeper, or Officer of his Majesties Victuall or Ammunition, shall imbezell or spoil any part thereof, or give any fals accompt to the Lord Generall, upon pain of death.

61 Whatsoever Proviant-master having received money from the King, shall bring and furnish the Camp with unsound and unlaboury Victuall of any kinde, whereby sickness may grow upon the Army, or the Service by that occasion be hindered, shall, upon complaint, be brought before the Court by the Provost-Marshal, and shall be heard what he can say for his

his justification, wherein if he fail, he shall die for such his offence.

62 No Muster-master shall wittingly let any passe in the Musters, but such as are really of the Troop or Company presented, upon pain of death.

63 All Captains shall cause their Troops and Companies to be full and compleat: And two dayes after the generall mustering, they shall send the Lord Generall a perfect List, or Roll of all the Officers of their Troops and Companies, and likewise of all the Troopers and Souldiers that are in actuall service.

64 The like Roll or List shall the Captains send to the Lord Generall, and to the Treasurer of the Army upon every pay-day during the service, with a punctuall expression at the bottome of the said Roll, what new Troopers or Souldiers have been entertained since the last pay-day, in lieu of such as are either deceased or cashiered, and likewise the day whereon they were so cashiered and entertained.

65 Which said List or Roll shall be subscribed, not onely by the Captain, his Lieutenant, and Cornet or Ensigne, but also by the Serjeants and Corporals respectively, who shall declare, upon their oaths, That the Troopers and Souldiers in the said List, are really and actuall Troopers, and Souldiers of the respective Troopes and Companies: And whosoever shall be convict of falsehood in any the premises, shall be punished with death.

66 No Muster-master shall presume to receive or accept of any Roll to make the Musters by, but the forementioned Rolls, upon pain of the losse of his place, and other punishment at discretion.

67 No man shall presume to present himselfe to the Muster, or to be enrolled in the Muster-rolls by a counterfeited name or surname, or place of birth, upon pain of death.

68 No Souldier shall be a Victualler without the consent of the Lord Generall or others authorized, upon pain of punishment at discretion.

69 No Victualler shall entertain any Souldiers in his House, Tent, or Hut, after the warning-peece at night, or before the beating of the Rabales in the morning.

70 All controversies between Souldiers and their Captains, and all others, shall be summarily heard and determined by the next Councell or Court of war, except the weightiness of the cause require further deliberation.

71 No Probost-Marshal shall refuse to keep a prisoner, by authoritie committed to his charge; nor dis-misse him being once receibed, upon pain of being liable to the same punishment, which should have been inflicted upon the party dismissed.

72 The Probost-Marshal, upon having a prisoner committed by authority to his charge, in case no Information be put in against him within four and twenty hours, shall acquaint the Lord Generall or other chief Commander therewith, and, without speciall command to the contrary, shall dis-misse his prisoner.

73 The Probost-Marshal having notice, That an information is given in against his Prisoner, in case the Prisoner be not brought to his triall within three dayes compleat, shall acquaint the Lord Generall, or other chief Commander therewith, and if he receibe no command to the contrary, he shall forthwith let go his Prisoner.

74 A Sentinell or Perdue found a sleep, or drunk, or forsaking his place before he be relieved or drawn off, or shall not, upon discovery made, give warning to his Quarter according to direction, shall dye for such offence without mercy.

75 If any man imployed for a Guide upon the way, or a Spie upon the Enemy, shall be found false in the charge wherewith he is entrusted, he shall dye without mercy.

76 If any employed for a Scout, shall not discover so far as he is commanded, or having discovered any approach of the Enemy or ambushment, shall not speedily return, and give warning to his Quarter according to direction, he shall be punished at the discretion of the Lord Generall, or Court-Marshal; and in case it shall be proved, that he entered into any house, and there lay sleeping or drinking, or otherwise idle whilst he should have been upon the Service, he shall be punished as a Sentinell, or Perdue that is found drunk or sleeping.

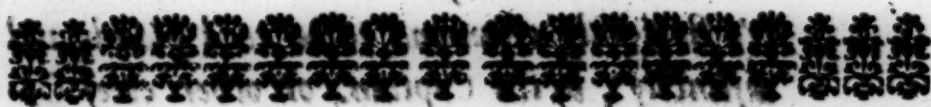
77 No man shall presume to use any braving or menacing words, signes, or gestures, while the Court of Justice is sitting, upon pain of death.

78 All Captains, Officers, and Souldiers shall do their endeavours to detect, apprehend, and bring to punishment all Offenders, and shall assist the Officers of the Army for that purpose, as they will answer their slacknesse in the Marshall-Court.

79 Every man shall be bound to be assisting, and aiding to the Provost-Marshal, in the execution of his office, being thereunto required in his Majesties or Lord Lieutenant Generalls name, upon pain of Arbitrary

Arbitrary punishment rigorously to be inflicted. And in case it be declared, by the said Probost, the cause concerns Treason or other Capitall offence, and the party arrested or committed, or to be arrested and kept by him, shall, for want of such aide and assistance, escape and get away, then he or they so refusing or forbearing to aid and assist him shall dye for it.

So In matters of debt, words, or trespasse arising between a Souldier and another party not a Souldier, concerning any act done by the Souldier, the Constable or other Officer of the place, shall not arrest the Souldier, but complaint of the supposed words or trespasse shall be made against the Souldier, to the Captain, or other chief Officer of the Company or Garrison to whom such Souldier shall belong, and such Officer shall do the party speedy right and Justice; And in default thereof, the Lord Generall, or Court Marshall shall do him right, both against the party, and also against the Captain, or other Officer who so refused, or delayed to do him Justice. Likewise if a Souldier shall have cause of complaint against a man that is no Souldier, he shall complain to the Civill Magistrate, or Officer thereof, as the cause shall require, and shall expect, and have Justice from him in time and place convenient.



The Oath which every Souldier is to take.

I A. B. do Swear to be true and faithfull to my
Soveraign Lord King *Charles*, and to His Heirs,
and lawfull Successors; and to be obedient in all
things, to His Lieutenant Generall, for the time be-
ing, in this His Majesties war, against such Rebells
Subjects, as have already taken up, or hereafter shall
take up Arms, and wage war against him, or which
shall any wayes abet, assist, or aid them. And I
do further swear, to serve and defend his said Ma-
jestic, and for Him, his Royall Person, Crown, and
Dignitie to fight to the utmost of my power and
strength, and to continue in such His Service till I
shall be lawfully dismissed from the same, and to
come and go, and do, as I shall be commanded, re-
quired, or directed by His Majestic, or the Lord
Lieutenant Generall of His Armies, or other my
Superiour Officer under him. So help me God.

All which Our said Laws and Ordinances
We straightly command to be read plainly and
distinctly, by the Captain, or other chief Of-
ficer, to his own company, at least once a week.
And that the Oath be administered in the respec-
tive Quarters by the Provost-Marshal Ge-
nerall, assisted by the severall Officers of each
Regiment: In the Horse quarters, by sound of
Trumpet; and amongst the Foot by beat of
Drum.

Given under Our hand this 28. of August.

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